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Tuesday - 29 April 1969

50X1 1. [ ] Mr. Frank Hand, in the Office of Secretary of Defense, called to say that at Secretary Laird's request he was sending to the Director a list of congressional staff clearances. Mr. Hand thought we would be interested in this.

50X1 2. [ ] Mr. Arnold Brustin, on the staff of Senator Gaylord Nelson (D., Wis.), called and suggested Thursday afternoon, 6 May, for our briefing of the Senator. After checking with the Director's office, this was set up for 2:30 p.m. on that day.

50X1 3. [ ] Messrs. Maury and [ ] talked with 50X1 William Woodruff, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee, regarding the Agency's problems in the retirement field generally and with regard to congressional action on the Daniels bill in particular. Mr. Woodruff said he could see objections to our obtaining any legislation through the Foreign Relations and Foreign Affairs Committees (as part of any joint effort on our part with the State Department) but was inclined to feel that there would be no serious objection if we and the State Department were to get an amendment to the Daniels bill in the Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee which would extend this benefit to both Foreign Service and CIA retirees. Mr. Woodruff was inclined to look with favor on an approach which would grant to the Director the authority to adopt administrative provisions of other retirement acts for the CIA retirement system as he deemed those provisions appropriate. In this connection, he mentioned he thought it would be much easier for us to obtain legislation through the Armed Services Committee under Senator Stennis' chairmanship than it was while Senator Russell was chairman of this Committee. We acknowledged that this was a subject which we would have to take up with Ed Braswell, on the Armed Services Committee staff, but expressed an interest in and an appreciation for Woodruff's views on the subject.

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Thursday - 24 April 1969

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1. [ ] This afternoon [ ] and I stopped by to see Mr. William Woodruff, Assistant Chief Clerk, Senate Appropriations Committee, and I gave a brief rundown on the Director's appearance yesterday before the International Organization and Disarmament Affairs Subcommittee of Senate Foreign Relations Committee. I said the Director, in his prepared statement, had carefully avoided going beyond the conclusions covered in his previous briefings of the Agency Subcommittees, or getting into sensitive or controversial details. I mentioned that the Director had been questioned on whether the community had ever estimated regarding the Soviet first-strike capability, and had replied that in the preparation of National Estimates we stuck to what was indicated by available evidence and this did not permit conclusions as to what the situation might be a number of years hence--for example in the late 1970's.

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2. [ ] Mr. Woodruff confided that it now appears that the Administration cannot win on the ABM issue and if it came up today the Safeguard project would be defeated by at least four or five votes. Woodruff feels it was unfortunate that Laird and Packard had gotten so far "out on a limb" and it would have been much better to have Foster and Starbird carry the ball. Woodruff remarked that Secretary Rogers' comment on the subject had been exactly right.

Woodruff said he had personally tried to get Senator Russell to "back off" when he realized the probable outcome.

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3. [ ] In response to his request, on behalf of Senator Henry M. Jackson, Mr. Richard Brown, on the staff of the Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, was kept informed of the ticker items regarding the closing of the Chinese Communist Party meeting.

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